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SUBJECT: ISSUES AT PALESTINIAN NATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING;
NO CHARTER AMENDMENT

1. KUWAIT DAILY AL SIYASAH OF MARCH 9 CARRIES STORY FROM CAIRO ON ISSUES TO BE DEALT WITH AT UPCOMING PALESTINIAN NATIONAL COUNCIL (PNC) MEETING IN CAIRO. REPORTEDLY, THE MAIN ISSUES WILL BE: WHETHER THE PLO LEADERSHIP WILL BE GRANTED SUFFICIENT AUTHORITY TO BE FLEXIBLE IN KEY NEGOTIATIONS IN THE FUTURE, WITHOUT REFERENCE BACK TO THE PNC; WHETHER SAIQA WILL GET GREATER REPRESENTATION IN THE PNC (UP TO ONE THIRD OF THE DELEGATES); AND WHETHER FAROUK KADDOUMI WILL BE REPLACED AS PLO POLITICAL DEPARTMENT HEAD. ON THE FIRST ISSUE, THIS REPORT ASSERTS THAT THE PLO LEADERSHIP WANTS THE PNC TO GRANT IT FLEXIBILITY TO DECIDE ON PARTICIPATION AT GENEVA OR "ANY OTHER OPEN OR SECRET NEGOTIATIONS" AND ON THE NATURE OF ANY "FEDERATION" WITH JORDAN OR SYRIA. FURTHER, THE REPORT ALLEGES THAT THE QUESTION OF FLEXIBILITY MIGHT RESULT IN ARAFAT'S RESIGNATION IF THE PNC DOES NOT GRANT ENOUGH FLEXIBILITY.

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2. SAME NEWS REPORT STATES THAT IT IS "NEARLY CONFIRMED" THAT THERE WILL BE NO AMENDMENT OF THE BASIC PALESTINIAN CHARTER OR OF THE "TEN CLAUSES THAT FORM THE PALESTINIAN ACTION PLAN," SINCE "IT BECAME CLEAR THAT THE GENEVA CONFERENCE WOULD NOT TAKE PLACE SHORTLY" AND THUS THERE WAS NO REASON FOR THE PALESTINIAN LEADERSHIP TO "OPEN THE DOOR" TO INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL CRITICISM WHICH

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS WOULD BRING.
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